

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—I. Timothy 4:12

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### JESUS, THE MODEL YOUTH

Read Luke 2:41-52

The period of adolescence, from the age of 12 to 15 is of prime importance in the development of an individual. The person undergoes great physical changes, enters his mental heritage, bears a new relation to society and to God (verse 52). Following this period the great choices of life are made; friends, the life companion, the vocation, and in about 90% of cases, the ultimate moral choice. The personality is more or less fluid but it is fitting into moulds which are seldom broken.

For such a vital period it has been divinely ordered that we should have an example. For a space of 29 years the only picture given us of Jesus is one presenting Him as He enters this period of life. He was like other youth with this notable exception: He was without sin. Hence, we may safely follow Him.

He was passing from childhood to youth and manhood. He took advantage of every opportunity for His own development and the edification of others. He chose His company with this in view. WHILE HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN PLAYING WITH THE CHILDREN HE WAS SITTING WITH THE DOCTORS. Furthermore, HE was HEARING them. He had the humble attitude of a learner. With this attitude in life one is sure to develop. He asked questions. The curiosity of His youth concerned the things of His Father. Does yours? "Be wise unto that which is good and simple concerning evil." They marvelled at His wisdom. He was coming into possession of that Divine Wisdom which caused men in later years to say, "Never man spake as this Man."

"Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" He was becoming conscious of His life task. The vision of His life work was opening before Him. Is yours? Surely your aim is not just to make a living! Have a purpose, have a goal! Be sure it is your Heavenly Father's business. SPEND YOUR LIFE FOR HIS GLORY.

Note the imperativeness: "I MUST be." A great task calls for great determination. Are you cultivating such? Verse 51: "He was subject unto His parents." Obedience to one's earthly parents is a splendid prelude to obedience to God in a life work. They are not contradictory.

Verse 52—Then follows the great development on right principles. Follow Jesus and you can say with satisfaction at the end of your life concerning God's work for you, "It is finished."

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### CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENT

The fifth annual convention of the denominational Young People's Association will convene at Beulah Camp Saturday, July 10th, at 2.30 p. m. Each society is requested to send two delegates and as many more representatives of their group as possible to the yearly meeting. We are praying that this shall be the greatest convention that we have held in the brief history of our work. Come in the Spirit.

HELEN R. MULLEN, Rec. Secy.

### NOTICE RE GENERAL FUND.

All societies contributing to the General Fund of the Young People's Association, (and we trust all are) are hereby requested to forward their money as soon as possible, or send it to Beulah. The expense of the beautifying project now going on at Beulah, the pledge made to the School Fund, our indebtedness to the Highway for the use of our Page during the past year, as well as the other enterprises that we are interested in, make the need of a general and generous contribution to this Fund necessary. If sending your amount by mail, do so at once, forwarding to the assistant treasurer.

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Dear Young People:

It will soon be Beulah time now. There seem to be special times when memories of that place crowd through my mind with extra vividness and force. This afternoon is one of them. A June sky, all azure and golden sunshine. A breeze lightly stirring the young leaves that seem such a vivid green.

I like to think of those days when the Reformed Baptists were a Denomination newly born. That was before my day.

Many of those warriors have now gone to their rest, but they leave behind them a precious heritage, and we will preach it, sing it, shout it, and live it, Holiness for ever-more. Yes, we have a name to feel good over.

I was just thinking, too, about that piece in a recent Highway about a Denominational Bible School. You know, it sounds good to me; I just believe it will "come to pass." I believe the hand of God is in it, and I want to be at that school when it gets going. Just think how many of our young people need it. How many feel a longing for that education, teaching and training that will fit them to work in God's harvest field.

Well, I really must be closing, but I must say that I am more keen to be at Beulah this season than I have been for years, to see and hear our returning missionaries from Africa, the Sterritt Sisters.

Yours, all for Jesus,  
JUDSON SANDERS

### THE INFLUENCE OF A CHILD

The Word says "No man liveth unto himself." The individual life wields either a positive or negative influence for good. Therefore even the value of a child's influence must not be underestimated. The Spirit-directed words of a child have oftentimes at a critical moment prevented men and women from taking a hasty step which afterward would bring remorse and regret. Frequently God has used the innocent query of a child to awaken conviction in a sin-hardened heart. Truly, children often are God's messengers to us.

The following incident proves that "a little child shall lead them." A young Christian father was hesitating whether he should continue family prayers in the presence of an ungodly crowd of men, who had entered his home at the customary prayer hour. The little

### BOOKS TO READ

"In the Steps of the Master"

By H. V. Morton

Everyone who loves the Word of God, and especially those who delight in the reading of the Gospel accounts of the activities and teachings of our Lord, must have a longing akin to my own, to visit the land of His early sojourn and explore the territory made sacred by His presence. How we would enjoy walking by the sea of Galilee where He once walked! What a sacred privilege it would be to pray in Gethsemane where He once prayed! And perhaps most blessed of all would be the journey to "the place called Calvary," where he died and then to the tomb where He arose in triumphant life, that by the influence of those experiences we might more fully appreciate his death for our life. And not only would such a visit be beneficial to us in deepening our devotion to the Lord Jesus, but it would help us to understand more clearly many of the figures and parables He used to illustrate the teachings He imparted to men. The realization of this dream of visiting the holy land in person will doubtless be denied us, but we can avail ourselves of the opportunity of reading of the travels of others who have been there and have recorded their experiences in book form. Such a book is H. V. Morton's "In the Steps of the Master." The author portrays his journey in such a realistic way that the reader feels he is a companion in travel. Obtain this volume for yourself or your young people's library. It is well worth the purchase price.

lad seemingly decided the question for him when he cried out, "Daddy, don't forget the prayers. The father followed the leading of the child and as a result God was honored and hearts convicted of their need.

Hannah, the handmaiden of the Lord, set all mothers a good example when she dedicated her child to God. She made a personal sacrifice to place Samuel in a spiritual environment—where he might come to know God and grow up in his favor; but God honored her faith and work of love and so dealt with Samuel that he became a profit of the Lord and one of the greatest characters of old testament times. Let us through the Junior Crusade of the Holiness movement try to evangelize our children. Mothers, you have a splendid opportunity of helping your child to a saving knowledge of Christ. You may wonder what your part is. It is this: Co-operate with the leaders, give them your prayers and heartiest support, send your children where they may be further taught the truths of the precious Word of God. It will indeed be a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their pathway.

This work is still young within our Denomination, but judging from the results of the year's efforts, God has seen fit to bless it. It has been a means of saving and blessing many children.

Furthermore it is a means of sending the gospel into ungodly homes through the children. Let us be awake to our opportunities. Let us promote the "Junior Crusade" through personal interest and support.

M. TEDFORD